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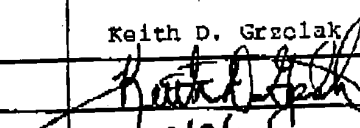
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In response to the Office Action dated January 10, 2002, please amend
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AMENDMENTS

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 11-16 without prejudice.

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1-10, drawn to a meat tray, for examination herein, as shown in the following

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